

What is claimed is:

1                   1(currently amended).     A hand-held shower attachment having a  
2     shower head that has a surface from which jets of water exit and a handgrip,  
3     the handgrip being attached to the shower head at a location alongside the  
4     surface from which jets of water exit, wherein the ratio of the length of the  
5     handgrip to the maximum lateral dimension of the surface on the shower head  
6     from which jets of water exit ranges from about 0.5 to one, and wherein the  
7     shower head has a fitting for a shower hose on an end of the handgrip  
8     opposite from the shower head and a union nut on an end of the shower hose,  
9     wherein the union nut on the end of the shower hose has an outer surface that  
10    is flush with an outer surface of the handgrip, such that the **outer surface of**  
11    **the** union nut extends the outer surface of the handgrip.

1                   2(previously presented).   A shower attachment according to claim 1,  
2     where a longitudinal axis of the handgrip is approximately parallel to the  
3     surface on the showerhead from which jets of water exit.

3(canceled).

4(canceled).

1                   5(previously presented).   A shower attachment according to claim 1,  
2     where the ratio of a depth of the shower head, measured in a direction normal  
3     to the surface from which jets of water exit, to a diameter of the surface from  
4     which jets of water exit, is approximately 0.25 to 0.5.

1                   6(previously presented).   A shower attachment according to claim 1,  
2     where a perimeter of the surface from which jets of water exit has an  
3     approximately oval shape.

1                   7(previously presented). A shower attachment according to claim 1,  
2       where a perimeter of the surface from which jets of water exit has a circular  
3       shape.